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In re: Williams, *et al.*  
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INTRALUMINAL PROSTHESES AND CARBON DIOXIDE-ASSISTED METHODS OF  
IMPREGNATING SAME WITH PHARMACOLOGICAL AGENTS

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**APPELLANTS' REPLY TO NOTIFICATION  
OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF**

This paper is filed pursuant to the "Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief " mailed July 11, 2008.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s) are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Appellants provide the following revised "Status of Claims" section of the Appellants' Brief on Appeal to overcome the objections related to items 2 and 10 in the "Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief " (hereinafter "Notification") mailed July 11, 2008.

**STATUS OF CLAIMS**

Claims 73-104 are pending in the present application as of the filing date of this Appeal Brief. Claims 1-72 have been cancelled from the present application. As of the filing date of this Appeal Brief, Claims 73-104 stand finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as noted in the Final Office Action mailed February 12, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed April 25, 2008.

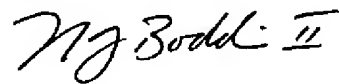
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Appellants appeal the rejection of Claims 73-104. A copy of Claims 73-104 is attached hereto as **Claims Appendix**, presenting the claims at issue as twice rejected in the Final Office Action dated February 28, 2007 and the Advisory Action mailed April 25, 2008.

**Conclusion**

Appellants submit that the revised "Status of Claims" section provided herein overcomes the deficiencies alleged in the Notification. Appellants request consideration of the remarks herein and in the Appeal Brief filed June 30, 2008, and reversal of the rejections of Claims 73-104.

Respectfully submitted,

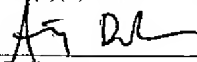


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